

USING THE ROMAN EMPIRE PROJECT PLANNER

The Project Planner is divided into broad areas, each beginning with a question, the answer to which assists in the research process.

Write all the topics on the board. Check students understand what each means.

Extension Idea: Class discussion about what we already know about each topic.

Students write down names and initials now.

Extension Idea: Class discussion on advantages and disadvantages of working in a group.

Discuss available resources. Confirm that students understand what the following are for:

keywords, index, glossary, contents.
Extension Idea: Groups look at the books and practise the above skills, eg 'If you were researching Growing up in Roman Times, what alternative keywords might you look up?'
'How many of you can find the word slavery in the Index?'

Emphasise the importance of starting research with a question.

Extension Idea: Offer some examples: 'What's on at the cinema?'
'How many planets are there in the solar system?'
Discuss how you would go about finding the answers to these questions.

The front of the project planner is used by all the students. The reverse varies, depending on the topic.

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Which topic am I researching?

The name of your topic is _____

Who will I work with?

Your class will be divided into groups and each group will research a different topic. Write down the names and initials of the people in your group. Put your name first.

Name	Initials	Name	Initials

Which resources will I use?

During your research you will use lots of different resources including:

non-fiction books encyclopedias computer information



How will I present my work?

Everyone in your group will work together to produce a wall poster all about your topic.

Later on, you may give a talk to the rest of your class, explaining the information on your wall poster.

How should I start?

A good way to start your research is to ask questions and then look for the answers.

Over the page are questions to get you started.

You should discuss with your group who is going to work on each question.

Write that person's initials next to the question.

Turn over the page to find your questions.



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